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SUBJECT: BURUNDI REFUGEES IN RWANDA

REF: KIGALI 332

1. WHILE WE SHARE EMBASSY KIGALI'S VIEW REFTTEL OVER
DESIRABILITY OF MOVING REFUGEES AWAY FROM BURUNDI BORDER,
WE DO NOT BELIEVE SITUATION WARRANTS USE OF DISASTER RELIEF
FUNDS. ADDITIONALLY, AS WE FEEL IT PREFERABLE THAT ASSIST-
ANCE FOR BURUNDI REFUGEES BE PROVIDED UNDER INTERNATIONAL
UMBRELLA, WE WOULD HOPE TO AVOID A GOR REQUEST FOR DIRECT
USG ASSISTANCE.

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2. DEPT BELIEVES UNHCR SHOULD CONTINUE PLAY PRIMARY ROLE IN HELPING GOR DEAL WITH BURUNDI REFUGEE PROBLEM AND FEELS THAT ANY ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING SHELTER, SHOULD BE PROVIDED BY AND THROUGH THAT ORGANIZATION. IN THIS REGARD IT WOULD SEEM THAT THE PURCHASE OF NEEDED SHELTER MATERIAL WOULD BE A LEGITIMATE USE OF THE UNHCR'S DOLLARS 500,000 EMERGENCY FUND.

3. FOR GENEVA: IN INFORMING UNHCR OF ABOVE, MISSION AUTHORIZED INDICATE THAT DEPT (ORM) PREPARED MAKE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION OF UP TO DOLLARS 25,000 IF IT ESTABLISHED THAT PROVISION OF SHELTER ESSENTIAL TO TIMELY TRANSFER OF REFUGEES TO A MORE SECURE AREA. WE ASSUME UNHCR WILL THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE FEASIBILITY OF USING POLYETHELENE AS OPPOSED TO THE BULKY AND MORE EXPENSIVE TENTING. RUSH

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